Remarks

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present U.S. Patent application as amended herein. Claim 1 has been amended. Claims 2, 9 and 12 have been canceled previously. No claims have been added or canceled herein. Thus, claims 1, 3-8, 10, 11, 13-18 and 20 are pending.

CLAIM REJECTIONS - 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claims 1 and 3-5 were rejected as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Specifically, claims 1 and 3-5 were rejected as failing to neither transform the underlying subject matter nor tie to another statutory category. Claim 1 has been amended to tie the method to at least a transceiver. Accordingly, Applicants request that the rejection of claims 1 and 3-5 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter be withdrawn.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Claims 6-8, 10, 11, 13-18 and 20 were allowed.

CONCLUSION

For at least the foregoing reasons, Applicants submit that the rejections have been overcome. Therefore, claims 1, 3-8, 10, 11, 13-18 and 20 are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if such contact would further the examination of the present application. Please charge any

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